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Art Unit 1722

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Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application
Application No. 10/751,507; Filed: January 6, 2004
For: **Injection Molding Apparatus Having an Elongated Nozzle
Incorporating Multiple Nozzle Bodies in Tandem**
Inventors: Hagelstein *et al.*
Our Ref: 2107.1090000

Sir:

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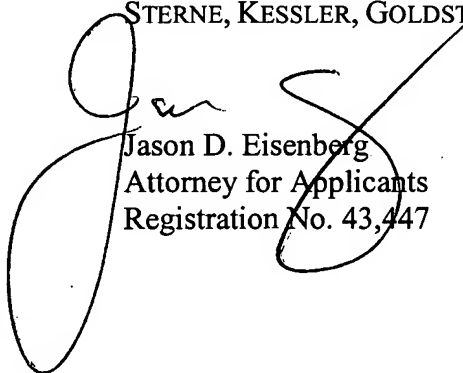
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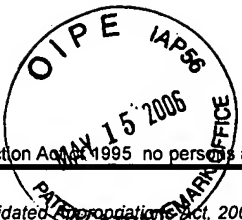
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Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	
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Multiple dependent claims	360	180

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Amendment and Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Amendment

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In reply to the Office Action mailed **February 14, 2006**, Applicants submit the following Amendment and Reply.

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